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## REP. LEWIS TELLS HOW U. S. CAN OPERATE PHONE SYSTEM

**Famous Congressman, "Father of Parcel Post" Outlines  
Plans—To Speak at Orchestra Hall Meeting  
Tonight—Big Fight To Be Opened To  
Prevent Phone Merger**

The real reasons why all Chicago newspapers are choking off the news about the Penny Phone league and public ownership of telephones came out clearly in statements by Congressman David J. Lewis to a Day Book reporter at the City club this noon. Lewis said that his bill proposing federal ownership of all telephone systems in the country will be passed by congress "when it is responsibly put up to congress." He was asked, "When it goes through will the change be made as easily and

rapidly as the change to a parcels post?" He replied:

"The change can be made in less time than with the parcels post. When action is finally decided on it will take only a few months for the government to acquire all the properties of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co., besides independent companies, and operate a nationwide wire communication service.

"I would say decisively that the plan is as practical, and if anything more immediately practicable, than the parcels post. You ask me what